GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

May 15, 2019

Justin Gordon
Office of the Attorney General
Open Records Division
P.O. Box 12548
Austin, Texas 78711-2548

Re: Open Records Letter Ruling Request
       OOG ID#: 168-19

Dear Mr. Gordon:

On May 1, 2019, the Office of the Governor (the "OOG") received a request under the Public Information Act (the "PIA") from Mr. Alex Kane. A copy of the request is attached as Exhibit A. The information at issue is attached as Exhibit B.

The OOG is releasing some information to the requestor. As allowed by section 552.305(c) of the Government Code, the OOG asserts no exceptions to disclosure of the submitted information. However, the submitted information may implicate the privacy or proprietary interests of a third party. The OOG is requesting a ruling pursuant to section 552.301 and has notified the third party of the request and of their right to submit arguments against disclosure of the information at issue pursuant to section 552.305(b). The OOG has copied the requestor as a recipient of this brief pursuant to sections 552.301(d) and 552.301(e-1) of the Government Code.

Should you need additional information, please feel free to contact me at 512-463-1750 or via email at publicrecords@gov.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

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EXHIBIT A

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Texas Public Information Act Office
P.O. Box 12428
Austin, TX 78711

May 1, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

Copies of any organized group's communications to Greg Abbott, Dan Patrick, Luis Saenz, Matt Hirsch, Jordan Hale, Tommy Williams, John Colyandro, Sarah Hicks, Jeff Oldham and Bryan Daniel that mention the words "BDS" or "HB 89" between May 5, 2017-May 1, 2019.

This request is limited to communications between organizations, lobby groups and non-profits. It is not a request for constituent communications.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Alex Kane

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